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TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

THE VICTORIOUS BRITISH ADVANCE.

German Front Again Broken.

London, April 15, 6.30 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters states that the latest British captures include great pyramids of slag near the mouths of coalpits in the neighbourhood of Lens, which the Germans had converted into fortresses. Altogether, the German front has been broken on another four miles.

British Patrols Enter Lens.

London, April 15, 2.20 p.m.
Lloyd's News' correspondent at Headquarters, telegraphing on the 15th inst., states that British patrols have entered Lens. Though the enemy were still in machine-gun redoubts at some places, they are only rear guards, for the main body has retreated.

This splendid triumph was made possible by the capture of Vimy Ridge, the enemy realising that his last chance of a successful counter-attack had been foiled.

Lens and Lievin had been stacked with guns, of which it is certain that at least 150 were in the network of mines at the pitheads.

Prisoners state that wild scenes occurred at Lens. Frantic efforts were made to remove the guns and stores and to defend the line of retreat by blowing up the roads. Orders were given to destroy the mines by firing charges into the pits and by flooding the mine galleries.

Lens Entered.

London, April 15, 1 p.m.
Correspondents at the British Headquarters state that the British have entered Lens.

[Lens is a big manufacturing town seventeen miles south-west of Lille, possessing coal mines, sugar factories, etc. It has a population bordering on 30,000.—E. H. K.T.]

Strong German Attack Falls.

London, April 15, 3.45 p.m.
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—Early this morning the enemy strongly attacked, on a six miles' front astride the Bapaume-Cambrai road, under cover of a heavy bombardment, our positions from Hermies to Noreuil.

The attack failed everywhere except at Legercourt, where the enemy gained a foothold. After heavy fighting, our counter-attack regained the village, our artillery inflicting very heavy losses on his retreating troops. We took prisoner over 200.

We advanced our line to the east of Heninel, progressed to the north of Souchez River and captured defences to the east of Lievin from Baismont wood to the east corner of Cite St. Pierre.

Our troops are pushing on towards Lens. There has been heavy rain since the early morning.

Australia Congratulates Canada.

London, April 15.
Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne states that the Commonwealth Government has cable congratulations to the Canadians on their great victory at Vimy Ridge.

More Activity on French Front.

London, April 15, 6.45 p.m.
A French communique states:—North and south of the Oise, we carried out night reconnaissances and everywhere found the enemy trenches couped. We brought back prisoners.

To the east of Maison de Champagne, our reconnaissances penetrated German trenches, which we found utterly wrecked by our fire. We brought back a quantity of material.

On the right bank of the Meuse, two German attacks at Bois de Canieres and in the direction of Les Chabrettes were broken by fire. Some infantrymen who penetrated our advanced line at Bois de Canieres were either killed or made prisoner.

On the 12th, 13th and 14th inst. we brought down twenty-one aeroplanes, while four more were compelled to land badly damaged. A captive balloon was brought down a blaze.

Our bombing aeroplanes dropped 4,160 kilogrammes of projectiles on railway stations and establishments as well as the Briey basin, while 1,200 kilogrammes were dropped on railway stations in the region of Mervieux and Sedan.

On the night of 13th-14th inst. we effectively bombed barracks at Dreuse and the railway station at Bethinville.

Germans Admit Violent Fighting.

London, April 15, 6.45 p.m.
A German official wireless message says:—In consequence of the removal of our line to the north of the Scarpe, there have been only minor engagements, in the which the enemy has suffered heavily. From the Scarpe lowland to the Arras-Cambrai Railway there was violent fighting yesterday. British massed divisions attacked several times, but were sanguinarily repulsed. We took three hundred prisoners.

The artillery duel continues in Western Champagne and between Soissons and Rheims.

The Franco-British and Americans lost twenty-one aeroplanes and two balloons.

We brought down three British aviators participating in an attack on Freiburg.

DOMINION STATESMEN ENTERTAINED.

London, April 15.
Sir Robert Borden, General Smuts, Sir Edward Morris and the Hon. Mr. W. F. Massey are spending the week-end with Their Majesties the King and Queen at Windsor. The Archbishop of York has been invited to meet them.

It is understood that other Dominion statesmen will be similarly entertained later.

TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

AMERICA AND THE WAR.

Big War Revenue Measure Passed.

London, April 15.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that the House of Representatives has unanimously passed the seven billion dollars war revenue measure.

There were cheers from the floor and the galleries when the figures of 359 votes for and none against were announced.

The Bill limits the distribution of the Foreign Loan to countries actually at war with Germany.

Russo-American Co-operation.

London, April 15.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington says it is officially announced that the Government is considering sending a Commission to Russia to ascertain how it can aid the new Government and to consider all phases of Russo-American co-operation in the war.

A large Russian credit will probably be granted as soon as Congress passes the War Loan Bill, possibly before the Commission goes to Russia.

SOUTH AMERICA AND THE WAR.

Paraguay's Attitude Explained.

London, April 15.
Reuter's correspondent at Asuncion states that Paraguay has declared its adhesion to, and sympathy with, the attitude of the United States towards Germany.

A Proposed Entente.

London, April 15.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Buenos Aires, it is stated that the Governments of Argentina, Brazil and Chile are negotiating for the convocation at Buenos Aires of an Assembly of the South American Republics, with a view to establishing an Entente of the whole Continent regarding war problems.

"Down with the German Murderers!"

London, April 15.
Reuter's correspondent at Buenos Aires states that excited crowds are parading the streets shouting "Down with the German murderers!"

The German newspaper offices are closed, firing an attack.

Brazilian Bluejackets Occupy German Ships.

London, April 15.
Reuter's correspondent at Rio de Janeiro states that Brazilian bluejackets occupied interned German ships amid cheers from the crowd.

SOUTH AFRICA'S GENEROSITY.

A Gift of One Million Sterling.

London, April 15.
Reuter's correspondent at Cape Town says that at a South African Party Congress, Mr. Malan, the Minister for Mines, announced that the Union Government had decided to grant the Imperial Parliament one million sterling, in recognition of the protection afforded by the Navy, under which exports from South Africa had proceeded as usual.

SPAIN'S ATTITUDE.

"Denial of Breach of Neutrality."

London, April 15.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Madrid, as a result of a Press outcry that the Government had concluded agreements involving a breach of neutrality, a semi-official communication has been issued declaring that the agreements made by the Government do not modify its policy, neither does its Note to Germany, which is a more vigorous repetition of the Note of February 6, and which demands that Spanish lives shall be respected.

The communication discloses the fact that Germany offered to permit American exportation importations into Spain, even contraband, on condition that the contraband goods remained in Spain, but that Spanish exports for America should be subject to prize regulations.

THE NEW RUSSIA.

Overwhelming Vote in Favour of Continuing War.

London, April 15.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd, the proceedings at the Congress of District Councils and workmen's and soldiers' delegates show that an overwhelming majority supports the resolution of the Executive in favour of prosecuting the war.

A small majority of extremists was out-voted when it suggested peace.

THE FOOD PROBLEM.

Mr. Lloyd George's Appeal to Lead Workers.

London, April 15.
At a Conference of the Norfolk War Agriculture Committee, held at Norwich, a letter was read from Mr. Lloyd George, appealing to workers on the land to give their utmost help in food-growing, as we may have to feed our Army and Navy, besides ourselves, in 1918.

TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

DUTCH STARVATION FEARS.

Effect of American Action.

London, April 15.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam, commenting on the American movement to assure the stoppage or control of American exports to neutrals bordering on Germany, the Telegraph says this confirms its view that "Dutch exports to Germany will finally lead to the starving of ourselves."

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on an Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE WESTERN PUSH.

German Troops Like an Undisciplined Rabble.

London, April 14.
Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters says:—

It needs no strong mental grip to realise the full extent and significance of this week's success, the most gratifying aspect being that so much has been accomplished with relatively light casualties. The blow to the Germans is more severe than it is yet possible to estimate, several German divisions being so badly cut up as to be unfit for fighting for many weeks. Troops were hurried up and flung into the fight who were not accustomed to the ground, thus Hindenburg was forced to draw heavily upon his much-talked-of strategic reserve. The British proved more than a match in open fighting for their machine-like adversary and have shown a marked superiority in field tactics, outpost work, machine gun stalking and hand-to-hand fighting. It seems as if a dry rot has set in among the Germans, their prisoners behaving like an undisciplined rabble and disregarding their own officers and non-coms. This is a most significant and ominous change in the mentality of the German army.

German officers freely complain that the chief cause of the disaster is the difficulty of controlling their men. A further factor in the victory is the wonderful efficiency, incredible intensity and marvellous accuracy of the British artillery. The German gunners on the whole have done poorly. Prisoners complain that their batteries fired on their own patrols. This is probably due in some measure to the fact that the Germans are frequently wearing British kit collected on the field. Shortage of clothing is becoming almost as marked as shortage of food. The rations of the troops were reduced a week ago.

There have been further considerable captures of guns, howitzers and large ammunition dumps. Trained teams of artillerymen are now accompanying the infantry in the advance and make prompt use of the guns which fall into our hands.

The total number of captured guns and howitzers is now estimated at two hundred, making a considerable difference on the balance to the powers of aggression and defence.

French and German Reports.

London, April 15.
A French official report says:—We organised the conquered ground between St. Quentin and the Oise and made progress south of the Oise on the plateau to the north-east of lower Quincy. Our artillery is most active against the German defences of St. Gobain and the upper Coucy forests.

A wireless German evening official report says: Repeated strong British attacks between the Scarpe and Bullecourt failed with heavy losses.

British Still Progressing.

London, April 15.
Sir Douglas Haig reports: This morning we captured Leirva, south-westward of and adjoining Lens, taking considerable quantities of war material. This afternoon we seized Cite-St. Pierre, north-westward of Lens. We pressed on our whole front to the Scarpe River, southward of Loos, and reached points two and three miles eastward of Vimy Ridge. Heavy all day long fighting took place southward of the Scarpe. Everywhere we maintained our positions previously captured and inflicted serious losses on the enemy. We made progress on a wide front north and south of the Bapaume-Cambrai road; fierce encounters, resulting in our favour, took place southward and eastward of Fayet to within a few hundred yards of St. Quentin. We carried Gricourt village at the point of the bayonet. The enemy stubbornly resisted and we took four hundred prisoners. An attempted hostile counter-attack was broken up.

Our aeroplanes on Thursday and Friday dropped large quantities of explosives with good results on enemy stations, ammunition depots and aerodromes. They also successfully attacked enemy infantry convoys with machine guns. Four German aeroplanes were brought down and six were driven down. Twelve of ours have not returned.

THE FIGHTING NEAR MONASTIR.

London, April 16.

A French official report states:—Eastern Army: The enemy made a local attack in the direction of Timova, west of Monastir, but failed. Bands of comitadjis supported the Austrian troops in an attempted offensive west of Koritza and were repulsed.

British aeroplanes successfully attacked the aerodrome at Irena.

THE P. AND O. DIVIDEND.

London, April 15.

The P. and O. Company's interim dividend on deferred shares has been announced at the rate of twelve per cent. tax free.

WESLEYAN PROFESSOR'S DEATH.

London, April 15.

The Wesleyan professor James Hope Moulton died from exposure after the sinking of the ship on which he was returning from India.

NAVY AND LORD FISHER.

Criticism by Sir Hedworth Meux.

Admiral of the Fleet Sir Hedworth Meux, addressing his constituents at Portsmouth, said:—"I do not believe there is anybody in this town who has not complete confidence in Admiral Jellicoe and Admiral Beatty. (Cheers.) Yet there are certain people who persist, whatever the slightest thing goes wrong, in trying to bring back a man who, in the opinion of the Navy, ought not to be brought back. I am sorry to have to say these words, but they are forced upon me."

After referring to the recent debate in the House of Commons and saying that he would have been there had he known it would have taken place, Sir Hedworth Meux continued:—"Mr. George Lambert is an excellent friend of mine. I like him very much, but he knows nothing about naval opinion." Quoting what Mr. Lambert said in reference to Lord Fisher and submarines, Sir Hedworth Meux declared that the submarine menace never was well in hand.

Lord Fisher was a man who had always thrown the apple of discord into the naval service. He was a very old man who had done good work in his day and ought to be left in peace. To compare Admiral Jellicoe or Admiral Jackson with Lord Fisher was like comparing Bethmann-Hollweg with Bismarck. Statements such as those made by Mr. Lambert were bringing into the minds of people distrust of Admirals Jellicoe and Beatty.

As to the statement that if Lord Fisher had been consulted the Dardanelles adventure would not have taken place, Lord Fisher could have stopped this if he had liked. A man in the position Lord Fisher then held had only to say, "I will not allow this," that is if he did not agree with it, and if Lord Fisher had wanted to stop that expedition he could have done so by threatening to resign. The reason Lord Fisher is not liked in the Navy (Sir Hedworth went on) is because he is grossly unfair to those under him. I regret to say this, but I consider it would be absolutely disastrous to the Navy if Lord Fisher were brought back. It is very unpleasant for me to have to say this, but it is true. Unless these things are said intrigue will continue to centre about Lord Fisher's name, and he must not come back, concluded Sir Hedworth Meux emphatically.

Referring to the submarine menace, Sir Hedworth Meux said it was the greatest we had ever had to face, but the results were fairly satisfactory. Until it was got under we could not delude ourselves with the hope that we should have an early peace.

Archbishop Pettrilli.

Archbishop Pettrilli, who represented His Holiness the Pope at the recent consecration of the new Primate of the Philippines, Dr. O'Doherty, is passing through the Colony.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
New Hongkong Cinematograph—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Hongkong Horticultural Society—Annual meeting at noon.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
New Hongkong Cinematograph—9.15 p.m.

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GENERAL NEWS.

The "China Review."
An English monthly called the
China Review, will make its first
appearance in Peking about the
middle of this month. Mr. Wu
Lai-hai, a returned student from
England, is the editor as well as
proprietor of the magazine.Firing Line Examination.
The Hague, Feb. 21.-The
Peter Lloyd (Buda Pesth) states
that the Emperor of Austria
ordered the removal of the re-
mains of King Francis II., the
grandfather of the Empress Zita
from Arco, where they were
buried in December, 1894, because
Arco is in the Italian firing line.
The coffin was removed on a gun-
carriage drawn by six horses to the
Trentino, where it was placed
temporarily in the Imperial
chapel. -Exchange.Hun Consul's Escape.
San Francisco, April 6.-Franz
Bopp, former consul general for
Germany, stationed in this city,
who was recently convicted in the
United States district court of
conspiracy against the United
States government, and sentenced
to five years imprisonment
and \$5,000 fine, has disappeared,
and no trace of him can be
found. Bopp, after being con-
victed by the district court,
carried his case to the supreme
court, and had been released
from custody on bond.Chinese Faction Feuds on the
Pacific Coast.It is reported from Seattle that
several serious collisions have
taken place between Chinese at
various places on the Pacific Coast
of the United States, and there
is increasing evidence of willing-
ness to resort to acts of violence.
Several suits have been instituted
in the Courts. During the past
two months twenty Chinese have
been shot dead. As the trouble
seems to be spreading the authori-
ties have determined to arrest the
ring leaders and send them back
to China.

The German in the Philippines.

The hospitality shown by Presi-
dent Wilson to all enemy aliens
resident under the United States
flag has already been violated by
at least two German subjects,
Conrad Andre, formerly German
vice consul at Cebu and latterly
representing the interests of
Behns, Meyer and company at that
port, and Waldeman Schmidt,
manager of the Manila Button
factory in this city. Both of these
men have been taken into custody
by consular authorities and
are now held as a precautionary
measure. -Manila Bulletin.

Guns Cause Strange Weather.

The Hague, Feb. 21.-Speak-
ing to the Berliner Tageblatt cor-
respondent, the Archduke Eugen
said that fighting this year in the
Tyrol was exceptionally difficult,
as the snow was of unprecedented
depth. The extraordinary at-
mospheric conditions were possi-
bly caused by the firing of the
heavy guns. The Archduke
whose meal consisted of sauer-
kraut and pudding, warmly
approved the scheme of theatres
visiting the Austrian front, say-
ing that the soldiers wanted some-
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Chinese Telegraph

"Benevolent" treatment of staff
officers has been introduced into
the Chinese TelegraphAdministration by Mr. Han Shih-
ying, Minister of Communications.In an order, which appeared in
the Government Gazetteyesterday, Mr. Han gave per-
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GENERAL NEWS.

Trouble at a Japanese Hemp-Factory.

On the afternoon of March 28 upwards of 400 workmen of the Teikoku Seima Kaisha, at Otaw, assaulted six of their foremen, badly injuring two of them. Ten of the workmen were arrested and are under examination. In explanation of this outrage it is said that the workmen asked the foremen to approach the manager with a view to obtaining an increase of their wages. The company increased the wages of the foremen but made no alteration in the wages of the workmen. The men then concluded that the foremen had merely used them as stalking horses and resolved to punish them for it. The Police are keeping a close watch upon the workmen as there are signs of further trouble.

What is an O.S.?

James Albert Young, 18, of Woodland-gardens, Highgate, was charged, on remand at the local police court recently with being an absentee from an auxiliary vessel in the Navy. The case was before the court a month ago, and it was then stated that Young had been a midshipman in a destroyer, but then signed on to serve on an auxiliary vessel, but when he joined it he stayed only a few minutes and then went home. He said that he signed on as an "O.S." which he understood meant "Officer of Signalling," but the Admiralty contention was that the letters meant "ordinary seaman." The case was then adjourned, the Chairman expressing the opinion that a mistake had been made. Young had since joined an O.T.O., and the Bench, in allowing the charge to be withdrawn, said not the slightest moral reflection rested upon him.

Control of Collieries.

The announcement that the Board of Trade is to take charge of all the collieries in the United Kingdom for the duration of the war, as it has already done in the case of those in the South Wales coalfield, is a matter of considerable interest, and but for the fact that the control of the railways has been carried out with so little disturbance to the public and to the country at large this further step would doubtless have attracted much more attention than has been the case. The State in control of all the collieries should be in a position to take wide measures to make production as economical as possible; and it may be hoped that attention will be given to such questions as introducing mechanical equipment to save labour wherever practicable, storing coal at times when the demand is slack in order to put it on the market when the pits are unable to produce adequate supplies, and preventing the loss that too often occurs through a portion of the coal being left underground, in conditions that preclude any chance of its future recovery.—Times.

£6,500,000 More for Pensions.
Important changes in the scales and conditions which govern pensions for disabled soldiers and for the dependents of the fallen, are proposed in the draft of a new Royal Warrant issued on February 28 as a Parliamentary paper [Cd. 8487] by the Ministry of Pensions. Similar changes in regard to the pensions of seamen and marines and their dependents are proposed in a draft new Order in Council which accompanies the warrant. In an actuarial report on the new proposals, Sir Alfred Watson estimates that they represent an addition of £5,800,000 to the cost to the liability of the State under the present system, the maximum total charge for the financial year 1918-19 (or in the following year if the war should be prolonged) being £25,000,000, made up of £14,100,000 for disabled men, £8,200,000 for widows and orphans, and £2,700,000 for other dependents. The revised scales and conditions, it is proposed, will have effect from the first weekly pay-day after April 1 in the case of new pensions or grants. In cases already dealt with under previous Warrants the new provisions may, at the discretion of the pensioners, be applied retrospectively as from April 1 as soon as it is practicable and convenient to reassess the claims.

Dutch Nurses for France.
A party of Dutch nurses arrived last month in London from Holland on their way to France. The ladies, who are in charge of Mme. A. Louise van Bevervoorde van Rappard, have placed themselves entirely at the disposal of the French Government. Money for equipping the party was subscribed in Holland by an appeal in the Dutch newspapers. Twelve nurses offered their services, but as the party had to leave Holland at short notice, three were left behind. It is intended, however, to send another party at a later date. Mme. van Bevervoorde van Rappard worked for eight months in a hospital in France last year.

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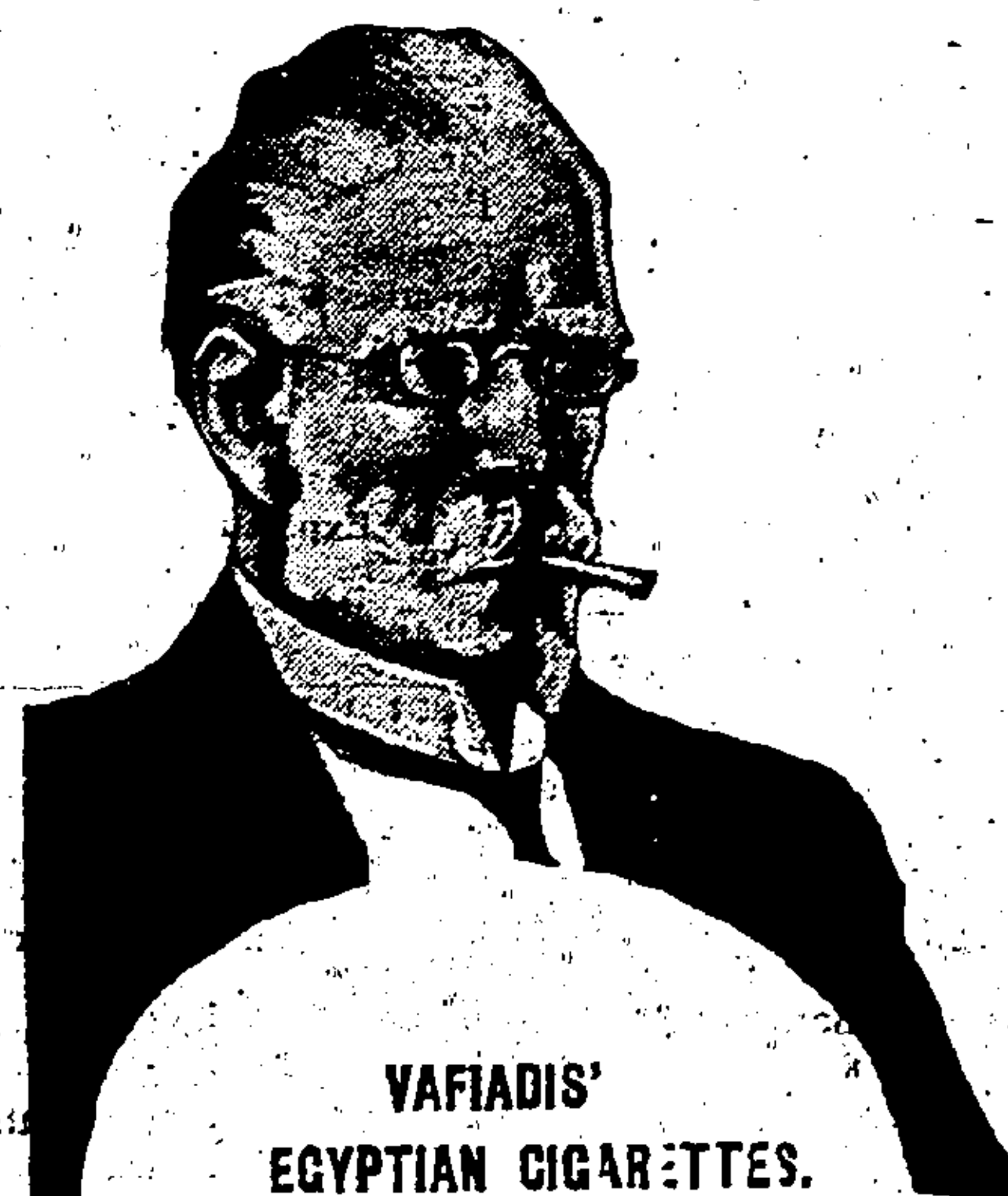
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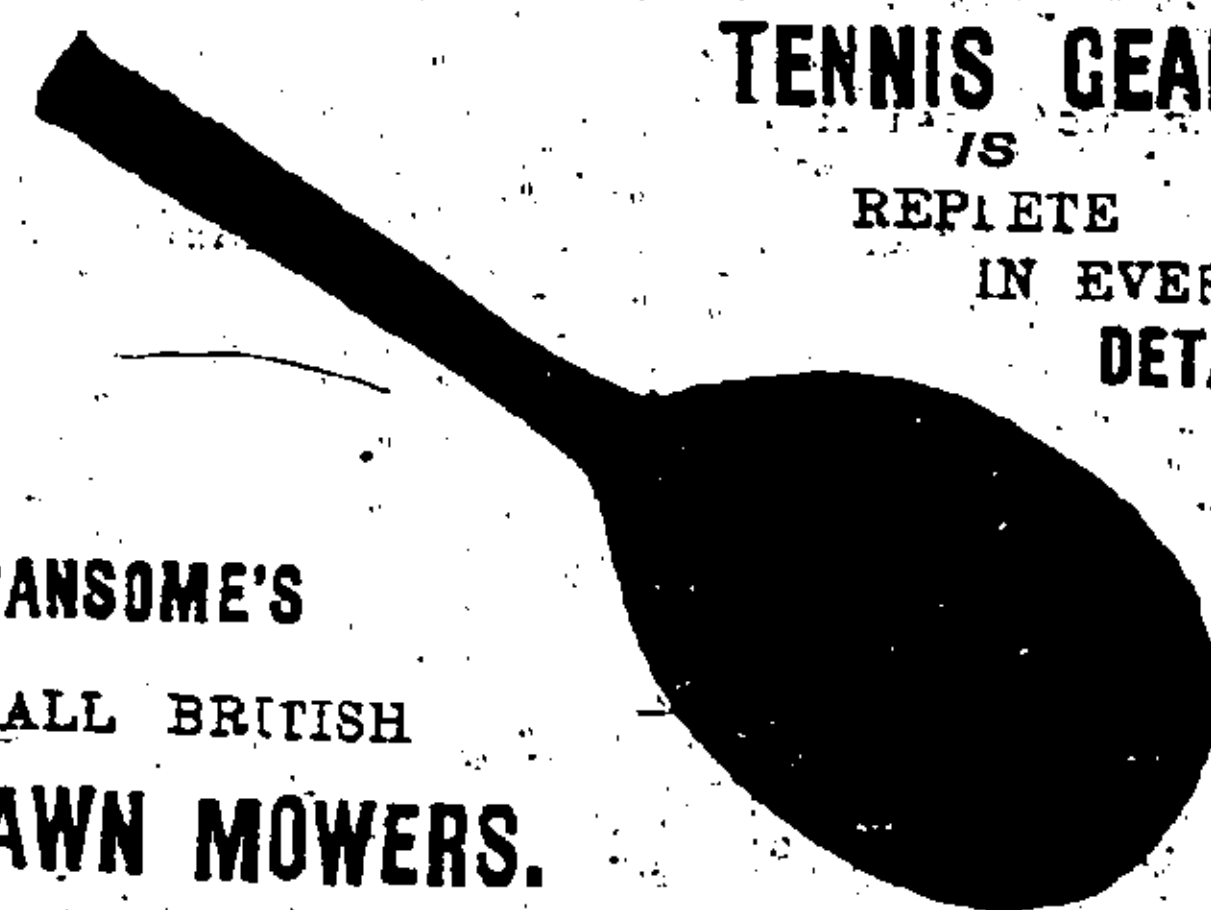
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A HEALTHY SIGN.

The gathering held under the auspices of the Victoria Division of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade on Saturday night, a report of which appears in another column, serves to bring to notice the admirable work which is being done by Hongkong's younger generation of Chinese in this regard. The Colony now boasts of four Divisions of the Brigade, besides the Police Reserve affiliated detachment with a total enrolment of some two hundred officers and men, and each of all of these are doing a work of manifest value, without fee or reward of any kind. Since the war, the movement has greatly expanded in Hongkong, with the result that the Colony now possesses a most useful body of trained men, whose services would be of the utmost utility in case of emergency. All branches of ambulance work are undertaken, and officers and men alike show a keenness in their work which must lead to a very high measure of efficiency. Moreover, there is a very healthy spirit of rivalry between the several divisions, not only in ambulance duties, but also in numerous branches of outdoor sport and recreation. Most of the Divisions are attached to the Colony's military forces, and the wearing of the Brigade uniform is now recognised by the G. O. C. As an instance of the Brigade's utility it may be mentioned that during the recent small-pox epidemic its members vaccinated over 25,000 people.

Movements of this order among the Chinese youth of the Colony are to be welcomed, not only from the point of view of utility, but also because they reflect a willingness and a desire to bear a share in some aspect or other of what may be termed the civil life of Hongkong. This is a development of comparatively recent growth. Until the past year or two, the younger generation of Chinese here were quite content to enjoy all the benefits of residence in a British Colony without giving a thought to the obligations which they might naturally have been expected to discharge. Moreover, they lived largely to themselves, taking no organised part either in public movements or in sport of any kind. Those days, we are happy to say, are now passed, and we see displayed an ever-growing anxiety to enter into the Colony's larger activities. This is one of the benefits which have arisen out of the war. The Police Reserve is a force which owes its existence very largely to the birth of this new spirit. It is one, also, which has given the young Chinese an opportunity of becoming extremely useful citizens, and the Colony knows how enthusiastically they have taken up the duties which attach to that very valuable body of men involves. But the influence of the war has not stopped at that. The growth of the ambulance movement is the direct result of an expressed wish on the part of many young Chinese to do their bit in the additional obligations which the present conditions have imposed on the civilian population.

As Mr. Ralphs stated at Saturday's dinner, the Brigade in Hongkong does not aim merely at interesting its members in the work of relieving suffering, essentially noble and inspiring though such an object is. It seeks to form a circle of men who will appreciate the advantages of strict military discipline and of participation in various forms of sport, thus living healthier, more active, and, consequently, better lives. It is in these respects that the expansion of the movement in Hongkong is likely to achieve its best and highest results. Immediately following the establishment of the Chinese Republic, there was noticeable a distinct tendency among the younger generation of Chinese in Hongkong to get out of hand. That was manifested in a course of dissipation and waste of all in a lessening of respect for parental authority, upon which the Chinese had always rightly prided themselves. A corrective was needed to that spirit. It has been found in the discipline which is enforced in bodies such as the Police Reserve and the Ambulance Brigade. That is why we can view with satisfaction the steady growth of these organisations. By taking a deep and practical interest in these institutions, the young Chinese of Hongkong are making themselves better men and better citizens. For this and other reasons we wish the movement all success.

The Customs and the Captain.

On Saturday we reported that the master of the San U—a vessel under the British flag, owned by a British firm, and carrying British officers—had received a message from the Customs officials at Samahui to the effect that, unless the ship entered Samahui Harbour, she would not, in future, be given her papers. The circumstances leading to this little matter have already been stated. In a word, the captain on nearing Samahui last Friday, saw that at a time when the freshets were rushing down from the North River, would be to endanger his ship. Skippers of Wuchow boats have, on many occasions, had narrow escapes at this particular point, and one would imagine that the Customs people must be aware of this fact. A similar dangerous state of things may exist at any future time: yet a shipmaster, in order to comply with this piece of red tape must risk an accident to his boat. It is a perfectly simple matter to anchor in the main stream and send an officer or comrade into harbour for the register; but this does not satisfy the letter of the law. A skipper's position is, then, that he must either risk losing his ship and the lives of his passengers, or else must come away without his papers and so be refused permission to pass the next river port. Would it not be worth the while of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce to enquire into a matter like this?

Dutch Neutrality.

The position of Holland becomes increasingly difficult one, and it would be a curious person who would deny her a little sympathy in the matter. At the outbreak of war the bulk of the Dutch were more or less openly anti-British. There were a score of reasons for this—chief among which was probably a certain amount of old jealousy. But, as time went on, a very pronounced change was noticeable in the tone of the papers as well as in the attitude of individual Dutchmen. That most valuable of allies, Louis Rasmsekers, was largely responsible for this, for he told his countrymen the truth in a manner which was not to be disregarded. His wonderful cartoons had about them a compelling force which would have almost convinced a Hun. But, though converted in the main, Holland could not come into the war, for reasons that are clear enough. Her geographical position was the first and last word on that subject. One whisper against the Hun bully, and her territory would have been even as Belgium and Rumania. We may not be able to sympathise very warmly over her present shortage of supplies, for, less than a couple of years ago, she was reaping enormous profits by selling to the enemy; but every one will feel that she is doing the right thing by herself in remaining out of the war—as long as Germany will allow her to do so!

The Wise Hun.

Report has it that several British and French officer prisoners of high rank have been confined in a camp at Karlsruhe, as a guarantee against bombing by Allied aircraft. Here is yet one more instance of Germany's superior wisdom. Why have we never done the same kind of thing with our Hun prisoners? Why have we never sent some of them to sea in our merchant vessels, or confined a dozen or so on each hospital ship? Instead, we send these roughs to Downing Hall and give them a better time than many of them ever had in their lives before. Are we going to continue to be sentimentalists to the bitter end? Our own poor fellows are tortured by gentle German Red Cross nurses, or are hammered with rifle bullets and lashed with whips, and yet our good friends at Home continue to lavish their good offices on the brutes who have fallen into our hands. Perhaps we shall begin to learn a little sense when all the prisoners are released and the full story of their sufferings is published. Then surely someone will be made to pay.

DAY BY DAY.

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The Dollar.

The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 4.5/181.

To-morrow's Anniversary. To-morrow is the 127th anniversary of the death of Benjamin Franklin.

For the French Fund. We have received from Mr. J. H. Wollcutt the sum of \$25 for the French Relief Fund.

Religious Meeting. The weekly religious meeting of the Helena May Institute will be conducted to-morrow (Tuesday) afternoon at 5 p.m. by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald. The meeting is open to all women.

Chinese Official's Visit. His Excellency Chang Nan-yew, Director of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, who has been visiting his native district near Macao, is at present spending a brief holiday in Hongkong.

Auction. Attention is directed to the fact that Mr. G. P. Lymcott is selling at his sales rooms on Thursday at 11 a.m., a stock of boots and shoes, hats, ruggies, etc., which have been slightly damaged by water. The goods will be sold without reserve.

Theft of Copper.

At the Police Court this morning, before Mr. J. B. Wood, a Chinese was charged with stealing five pounds of copper from the a.s. Kumsang, which is now lying alongside the Kowloon Docks. The man was sentenced to three months' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

Pick-pocket from Macao. Having arrived from Macao only the previous day, a Chinese was arrested in Des Voeux Road on Saturday for picking another man's pocket. When brought before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, the Police Court this morning, the man was sentenced to one month's hard labour.

Alice Memorial Hospital. The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—J. Reid, \$20; J. R. Michael & Co., \$15; Patell & Co., \$15; Abdoolally Ebrahim & Co., \$10; E. B. Gabey, \$10; G. K. Haxton, \$10.

A Scaffold Worker's Theft. A scaffold worker engaged in erecting the scaffold round Messrs. Watson's premises in Stanley Street, where the recent fire occurred, was charged before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court this morning, with stealing a pot of vasoline from the premises. The man said the pot was lying on the verandah and he picked it up. His Worship bound the man over to be of good behaviour.

Exporting Dollars.

There were two cases of attempting to export silver dollars from the Colony, at the Police Court this morning, one man being charged with exporting 22 dollars. Mr. J. K. Wood fined him \$10 and confiscated the coins. The other case was one in which a man attempted to export 50 dollars, and in this case a fine of \$10 was imposed, and the money was confiscated.

The Colony's Health.

In the return of infectious diseases issued for the week ending April 14, it is shown that during the period seven cases of enteric fever occurred, all the sufferers being Chinese. Two of the cases proved fatal. There were four cases of small pox, three of which terminated fatally. There was also one non-fatal case of diphtheria.

Educational Committee.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed a Committee to enquire into the teaching of the English language to Chinese boys in Government Schools, and to examine the question whether by a reduction in the number of other subjects more time can be devoted to such teaching. The following have been appointed members of the Committee:—The Director of Education (Chairman), the Hon. Mr. Edward Shellim, the Hon. Mr. Law On-pak, Mr. George Piercy, Mr. Frank Macdonald, Holman Holmes, Mr. Richard Arthur Bradshaw Ponsonby Fane, Mr. Edwin Ralph, Secretary.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

Annual Dinner of Victoria Division.

The Victoria Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade held its first annual dinner at the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday night, the occasion being in every way a distinct success. Divisional Superintendent Ho Leung presided, and was supported by Mr. E. Ralphs (Officer in Charge of the Division), Dr. Koeh (District Surgeon), Dr. Cheah (Divisional Surgeon), Ambulance Officer J. F. Grose, Dr. Lim (Assistant Divisional Surgeon), Mr. Ho Wing and Mr. Ho Kwong. Those also present included the Hon. Mr. Lau On Pak, Mr. Ho Fook, Mr. Chan Kai Ming, Mr. Sin Tak Fan, Mr. Lo Cheung Shui, Mr. C. L. Chan, Dr. Thomas, Mr. Wong Kam Pak, Mr. Leo D'Almada, Mr. H. K. Fung, Mr. M. K. Lo, and Mr. M. W. Li.

The loyal toast having been honoured, the Chairman proposed "Our Guest," and in doing so explained the bringing into being of the Victoria Division. He stated that his brother, Mr. Ho Kwong, was invited by Mr. Ralphs, some four months ago, to form a division of the Brigade, and, thinking that they ought to do something during the present world drama, he felt that Mr. Ralphs' invitation ought not to be missed. (Applause.) His brother, Mr. Ho Kwong, insisted that he (the speaker) was, by reason of his training in his old College O.T.C., better fitted for the job, and he consented to fall in with the suggestion, and in due course was appointed Divisional Superintendent. At present the Division was, more or less, in a state of embryonic efficiency, but the progress made gave promise that it would grow into a healthy maturity. No-one had watched its career with more paternal interest than his brother, Mr. Ho Kwong, and it was only fitting that he should be called, as he was known, the Father of the Victoria Division. (Applause.) The speaker expressed thanks to the members of the Finance Committee for their generous donations, especially mentioning Mr. Ralphs, who, when acting as headmaster of Queen's College, was regarded by the Chinese as the most popular head the school ever had. (Applause.) He also spoke of the keen interest taken in the Division by Dr. Thomas, Dr. Cheah and Dr. Koeh.

Mr. Ralphs replied, in the course of his speech giving an interesting historical summary of the Red Cross movement, which extended back some 900 years. Referring to the work of the St. John Ambulance Association, which was formed out of the original Order, Mr. Ralphs said that branches of the Ambulance Brigade were flourishing in every part of the British Empire. The Brigade was always at work, both during peace and war. In the fighting in Dublin a year ago, men and women of the Brigade were hard at work in the city streets. The Corps Superintendent was killed and many members wounded, among them a brother of H.E. Sir Henry May, who was a private in the Dublin Division of the Brigade and who had just been awarded a medal by the Order for his services on that occasion. During the war, the grimest and most terrible the world had ever seen, the Brigade had gloriously upheld its old traditions. On August 4, 1914, over 4,000 men were mobilised and actually at their posts with the Navy and Army when war was declared. Since then, over 20,000 trained Ambulance men had been supplied to the Front by the Brigade, and they had been in the thick of the fighting on every front. In India, the transport and care of the wounded from Mesopotamia were entirely entrusted to the Brigade; 2,000 women of the Brigade were serving in Military Hospitals, and very many members were and were women had lost their lives while tending the wounded. Numerous Hospitals were maintained by the Order, and in France with 520 beds being looked upon as the very best work in efficiency. True to its character for recognising no distinctions of race or creed in its

beneficent work, the Order originated, early in the war, a fund for wounded Indian soldiers, who were royally treated in England, while comforts were sent out to Indian troops in every theatre of action.

He could safely say that the Chinese workmen and coolies, now on their way to Europe, would be equally well treated, should any of them fall sick, if they were anywhere within reach of the Brigade. Having quoted a very fine eulogy to the Brigade, recently written, Mr. Ralphs said it was his aim not only to make of their Brigade in Hongkong an organisation for the relief of the injured, but to form a social circle of educated men who appreciate the advantages of strict military discipline, men keen on the various forms of sport—tennis, swimming, football, etc.—for which there were unique facilities in the Colony—men who, in helping others, were at the same time living healthier, more active and consequently better lives.

Mr. Ralphs then announced, amidst applause, that the following cups had been presented:—"The Lau On Pak Tennis Cup," presented to the Brigade by the Hon. Mr. Lau On Pak. The name of the winner of the Tennis Championship of the Brigade in Hongkong each year will be engraved on the cup, a small replica of which will be presented to the winner.—"The Holyoak Cup," presented to the Brigade by the Hon. Mr. Holyoak, Corps Superintendent of the Hongkong Corps. The cup is to be awarded annually to the Division in Hongkong showing the highest percentage of attendance at drills and lectures during the Brigade year, the 15 best attended drills or lectures only to count. Divisions holding less than 15 drills or lectures will be disqualified.—"The Ho Fook Efficiency Cup," presented by Mr. Ho Fook to the Division of which his son is the popular Officer Commanding. It will be competed for annually by stretcher squads of the Victoria Division, and will be awarded for general smartness and efficiency in drill and field work.

In conclusion, Mr. Ralphs said that Mr. Ho Leung had done wonders for the Division, and had spared no pains in making it a success.

Dr. Koeh proposed the toast of "Success to the Victoria Division," and said they were very lucky in having as members such a set of companionable men, who were earnest in friendly rivalry. He said it was a great thing to be a social institution as well as to be disciplined in a military sense. The man who passed examinations was not always the best man. It was experience that counted. However prettily they marched, singly or in a body, if they did not know how to put up a fracture, or to render assistance in case of emergency, they would not be of much use. They must remember that they were a serious body of men, doing serious work. The Division had been most successfully inaugurated, and he hoped that it would steadily progress.

Mr. M. K. Lo and Dr. Cheah replied.

Mr. Grose proposed, in complimentary terms, "The Police Reserve," to which Chief Inspector D'Almada and Dr. Thomas replied, the latter saying that if the Police Reserve wished to retain the Ambulance Shield they would have to work very hard.

Mr. Ho Kwong also delivered a brief speech, in which he thanked the donors of uniform and equipment.

The gathering concluded with the singing of "God Save the King."

Chelco Waterworks Contract.

The provisional contract for the construction of Chelco waterworks at the cost of \$1,500,000, which was concluded between the District Superintendent W. and a German firm, was (after over a year's negotiations) signed last year. The preliminary surveys were about to be started by experts of the Company who recently arrived at Chelco for the purpose, when the Faking Gorge valley lost work in efficiency. True to its character for recognising no distinctions of race or creed in its

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

The last survivor of the American War of Independence died in 1899 at the age of 109 years, says the Daily Chronicle. He fought as a lad of 16. As late as 1898, the Treasury was still paying pensions based on services in a war which had ended 132 years before. In the same year, 471 widows of men who had taken part in the war of 1812 were enjoying State income, and there are, or, rather, tens of thousands of pensioners of the Civil War, 52 years ago, on the national roll.

An Italian officer has just brought an action to Court to obtain a decision as to the right ownership of a bullet extracted from his body. The doctor claimed it, so did the nurse, but the officer argued that he was legally entitled to it. The judge gave a decision in his favour by a somewhat novel argument. He found that the projectile once discharged from the gun ceased to belong to the soldier who fired it, or to the country which entrusted it to him, and so became a "res nullius," which any finder is entitled to appropriate. As the officer found it in his body, he was entitled to retain it, although it was only brought to light by the surgeon.

"Davenport's Martyrs" is the somewhat apt designation a few City clerks, who are now experimenting with the new dietary, have bestowed on themselves. Four spoonfuls of porridge and a herring each form their breakfast, a little soup and a sweet their lunch, while their evening repast, containing four ounces of meat, is the heaviest meal of the day. It is not luxurious, but after dinner they say they can honestly seek repose and sleep the sleep of the just—enough!

The forger who meditates reproducing the design of the new \$1 currency notes will be a very clever craftsman if he succeeds, says the Chronicle. There are quite a number of safeguards introduced, apart from an elaborate system of watermarks, the most effective probably being the portrait of the King and the representation of St. George's encounter with the dragon. These, together with the broad band connecting them, have been reproduced by a special process which has never before been utilised for such a purpose, and the most expert photographer would be baffled in trying to secure a photographic copy of Mr. Bertram McKenna's work.

The designs themselves are reproduced in a brown colour, but they are ingeniously "overprinted" in green and purple, and it is believed to be impossible by any photographic process to photograph the main design through its protective overprint of green and purple. A few years ago the French Government introduced multi-colour paper money to prevent forgery, and though the French notes are not camera-proof, they have been most successful in making the business of forging them too costly to be profitable.

An amusing story comes from Bulgaria. The Crown Prince of Germany wanted the two elder sons of the Bulgarian King to visit his headquarters before Verdun and be present at its downfall. The young men accepted the invitation, remained a month, then, very much bored, excused themselves and went home. "What impressed you the most?" their father asked. They replied simultaneously, "The resistance of the French."

It is an offence now to cry news in the London streets, although many news vendors break the law when starting intelligence corners. But the most notorious vendor of newspapers in modern times cannot compare with his predecessor, the "Spring arrow" man, who, in the early morning, used to shout "Glorious news!" and other catchy cries, through a trumpet resembling the present-day megaphone.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE SPORTS.

Annual Meeting at Happy Valley.

Although the weather at the commencement of the programme of the St. Joseph's College sports at Happy Valley on Saturday was all that could be desired, a very unpleasant change came over things, and the majority of the events were run off in pouring rain. This greatly diminished the pleasure of the spectators, of whom there was a large crowd, but it did not deter the competitors, and some extremely interesting racing was seen. One of the most interesting events was the inter-school team race. Four schools competed, these being St. Paul's College, Queen's College, the Diocesan School, and the Ellis Kadoorie School. After a very close race the St. Paul's team proved the winners.

A word of praise should be given to the Committee for the very excellent arrangements which had been made, all the children having a really happy time.

The proceedings were enlivened by the band of the 74th Punjab, which, under Bandmaster W. J. Christian, rendered a programme of music.

At the conclusion of the racing the prizes were distributed to the successful competitors by Mrs. E. Ralphs, who was accompanied by Mr. Ralphs. In thanking Mrs. Ralphs, Brother Director Aimar said:—I beg to thank the donors of prizes and subscribers for their contributions. Notwithstanding the many calls on their purses in these times our friends and benefactors have been as generous as ever—a fact borne out by the beautiful prizes Mrs. Ralphs has just handed the students. The St. Paul's College team deserves credit and our congratulations for winning the team race as four schools were represented. This pleasant function brings to a close a successful sporting season during which, I am glad to say, the boys have distinguished themselves. I must tender my thanks to the members of the committee of the College Association who have given their valuable time in organising the third annual meeting. I beg to thank Mrs. Ralphs for having so graciously consented to come and hand the prizes to the boys.

Cheers were given for Mrs. Ralphs and the donors of prizes.

The officials were: Patrons, His Lordship Bishop Pozzoni, Rev. Fr. P. de Maria, General Committee, Rev. Bro. Director, President, Chevalier Francisco Tse Yat, the Rev. Brothers of St. Joseph's College and the Committee of the St. Joseph's College Association (ex officio);—Messrs. J. P. Braga, F. E. Carvalho, H. Dixon, J. M. Fernandez, E. J. Noronha, J. M. Noronha, J. C. V. Ribeiro, J. M. Rocha, J. P. Xavier and G. A. Yvanovich, Jr.

Judges: Rev. Bro. Aubert, Mr. F. A. Britton, Rev. Bro. Wilfred, Rev. Bro. Hilary, Mr. H. Dixon, Secretaries: J. M. Braga and T. C. Carvalho.

Handicappers: Mr. F. A. Xavier and Mr. D. Braga.

Starters: Rev. Bro. Paul and Mr. F. L. Silva.

Time Keepers: Mr. J. M. Rocha and Dr. F. M. Gracia Osoz.

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The events resulted as follows:—

Long Jump. (Junior.)—1st, G. Millar; 2nd, G. A. Hyder; Distance, 14 ft 9 ins.

Long Jump. (Senior.)—1st, R. M. Omar; 2nd, Tin Yuk On. Distance, 18 ft 6 ins.

100 Yards Flat Race. (Junior.) Handicap. Challenge Cup presented by Mr. Wong Kwong Tin to be won two years in succession.—1st, A. Rahmin; 2nd, D. Urquhart.

120 Yards Flat Race. (Senior.) Handicap.—1st, R. M. Omar; 2nd, Tin Yuk On.

50 Yards Small Boys' Race. For Boys 10 years of age and under. Handicap.—1st, J. Galsborough; 2nd, J. Oston; 3rd, G. Noronha.

440 Yards Flat Race. (Junior.) Handicap.—1st, D. Urquhart; 2nd, B. A. Hyder.

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Pupils not attending St. Joseph's College.—1st, Peter Pow; 2nd, Ahmed.

440 Yards Flat Race. (Senior.) Handicap.—1st, R. M. Omar; 2nd, Tin Yuk On.

100 Yards Small Boys' Race. Handicap. For Boys 10 years of age and under.—1st, J. T. Cotton; 2nd, N. A. Ribeiro.

High Jump. (Junior.)—1st, F. Lascos; 2nd, G. Millar. Height: 4 ft 9 ins.

High Jump. (Senior.)—1st, R. Sequeira; 2nd, J. Go. Height: 4 ft 10 ins.

120 Yards Flat Race. Open to St. Lewis Industrial School. Handicap.—1st, D. Hin; 2nd, Lee Yin Kee.

220 Yards Flat Race. (Junior.)—1st, D. Urquhart; 2nd, A. Rahmin.

300 Yards Flat Race. (Senior.) Challenge Cup presented by Joseph's College Association.—1st, R. M. Omar; 2nd, Tin Yuk On.

120 Yards Flat Race. Handicap. Open to members of St. Joseph's College Association.—1st, S. Marcal; 2nd, D. Braga.

Team Race 220 Yards. Open to teams of 8 from all Schools.—1st, St. Paul's College; 2nd, Queen's College.

Sack Race. 50 Yards. (Senior and Junior.) Handicap.—1st, M. A. Camerino; 2nd, E. Souza.

100 Yards Flat Race. Open to Italian Convent School.—1st, C. Hurley; 2nd, A. Dillon.

100 Yards Flat Race. Open to St. Mary's School (Kowloon). Handicap.—1st, C. Figueiredo; 2nd, Lena Rocha.

Half-Mile Flat Race. (Junior.) Handicap.—1st, B. A. Hyder; 2nd, G. A. Hyder.

Half-Mile Flat Race. (Senior.) Handicap.—1st, Tin Yuk On; 2nd, R. M. Omar.

Veterans' Race. 100 Yards. Open to Past Pupils over 30 years of age. Handicap.—1st, A. J. V. Ribeiro; 2nd, G. M. Britto.

100 Yards Flat Race. Handicap. For Boys 10 years of age and under. Open to sons of Past Pupils not attending St. Joseph's College.—1st, B. Gozano; 2nd, Ahmed.

Half-Mile Flat Race. Handicap. For Past Pupils.—1st, D. Braga; 2nd, J. F. Silva; 3rd, J. R. Soares.

100 Yards Flat Race. Handicap. Open to St. Francis' School.—1st, Hass Bux; 2nd, M. Grant.

Three-legged Race. 100 Yards. (Senior and Junior.)—1st, Tin Yuk On and 2nd, J. Xavier Tay.

Yen Oi. B. Hyder.

100 Yards Flat Race. Open to French Convent School. Handicap.—1st, E. Rosselet; 2nd, Mabel Bloman.

100 Yards Flat Race in uniform. Handicap. Open to Scouts of the 1st Hongkong Troop.—1st, A. Bazack; 2nd, H. Braga.

120 Yards Consolation Race. (Junior.)—1st, M. Silva; 2nd, F. Rodrigues.

120 Yards Consolation Race. (Senior.)—1st, S. A. Sipher; 2nd, L. Ravals.

Winner of Gold Medal: R. M. Omar.

The medals for the winners of the six-a-side football competition were presented as under:—

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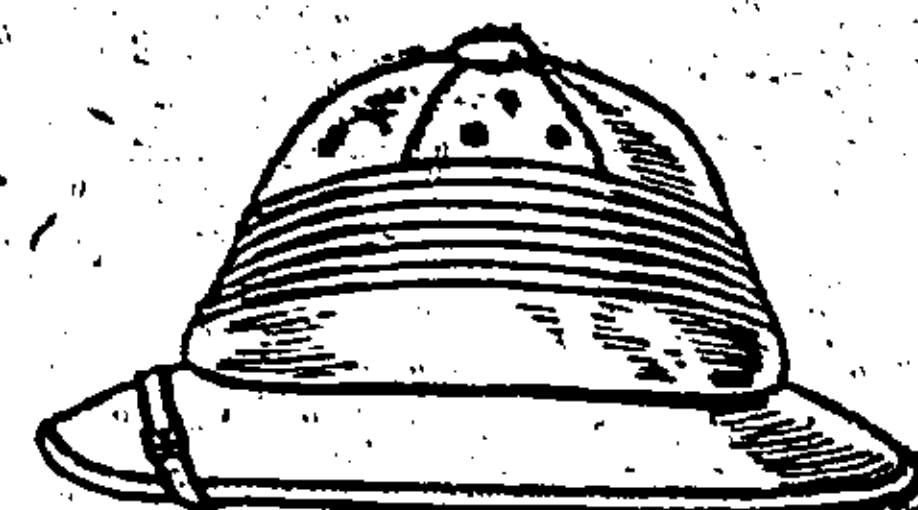
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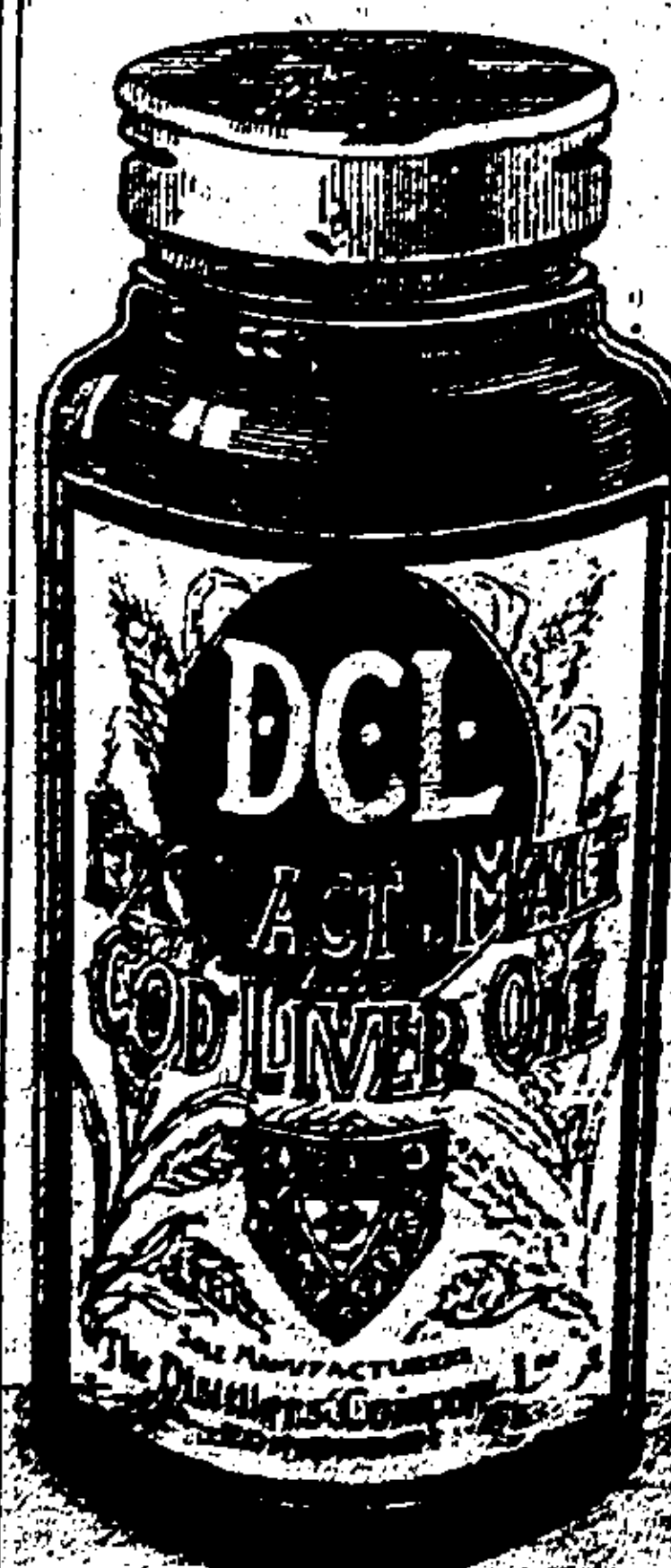
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SHIPPING NEWS.

Rangoon Port Health Rules.—The "Burma Gazette" contains the rules made by the Local Government under the Indian Port Act, 1908. The rules refer to the following diseases: (1) small pox, (2) chicken pox, (3) measles, (4) plague, (5) cholera, (6) typhoid fever, (7) sleeping sickness, (8) typhus, (9) scarlet fever, and (10) jigger, occurring on vessels, coming to or leaving ports in Burma or for the time being in port therein, and in respect of any dead body on a vessel not carrying a medical officer coming to or leaving any port within the said area or for the time being in any port therein. Power is given for the disinfection or destruction of persons, etc. Instructions for the guidance of Port Health Officers are also published.

Sydney Harbour Rates. A Bill to amend the Sydney Harbour Rates Act of 1904 has been passed by the Commonwealth Parliament, which is of special interest to owners and charterers of cargo steamers over 5,000 tons. Owing to the interpretation that has been placed on the Sydney Harbour Trust Act of 1904, large vessels could not be rated on their gross tonnage under that Act but were restricted to net tonnage. That Act provides that ships of more than 5,000 tons shall be exempt, and that ships should not be charged for wharfage on public holidays or Sundays. This is a serious matter to the Sydney Harbour Trust, as it finds that it cannot possibly berth the large cargo ships that come to that port at the inadequate rates now charged. The alterations made are as follows: Section 7 of the Sydney Harbour Rates Act of 1904 is to be repealed and the following section inserted in its place:—"The tonnage rates to be levied shall be at the rate of one halfpenny for each ton of the gross measurement of the vessel for each complete period of 24 hours, and for periods of less than 24 hours at the rate of one eighth of a penny for each period of six hours or part thereof." At a conference of port authorities of the Commonwealth it was later agreed that tonnage rates on vessels should be levied on the gross registered tonnage of vessels and that vessels using the ports should be charged full rates for the whole period whether moored, anchored or berthed. At Dawe's Point in Sydney Harbour a wharf shed 41ft. by 70ft. has been completed, and a good deal of submarine rock excavation done. Between Dawe's Point and Miller's Point, jetties are being built, but some difficulty has been experienced in obtaining suitable piles for piling. Piles of various lengths up to 130ft. are being used. The high level jetty has been carried a distance of 300ft. The low level jetty had been run out 16ft., and the pile, etc., a further 80ft. A jetty 60ft. by 130ft. had also been commenced, and carried out 120ft., while piling had been carried a further 50ft. At berths near by a large three-storied shed 34ft. by 70ft. was completed and equipped with bale elevators, jib and travelling cranes, etc. Port Kembla, when it is finished, will be one of the finest harbours of New South Wales. The work of construction in connection with the breakwater and wharfage accommodations has been proceeding for fifteen years, but is now nearing completion. The port is situated fifty miles south of Sydney, and is destined to be the shipping port for the bulk of the coal from the southern field. Vessels of any tonnage can now enter in all weathers and unladen cargoes with perfect safety. The depth of water at low tide is 6 ft. and at the eastern end of the breakwater 7ft., with an average of 7ft. between the two walls. At the new coal loading jetty there is a depth of 33ft. at low tide, with a 5-ft. range. The eastern breakwater is now cut at a depth of 27ft., and the northern 29ft. It is being constructed of blocks of basalt with a minimum weight of 4 tons each. Storage bins with a capacity of 2,000 tons for storing coals are being built, and the old high level jetty is being dismantled. A electrically-driven coal loading plant has been in operation over twelve months and by its means 800,000 tons of coal have been tipped into all sizes of vessels. At present vessels can be loaded at the rate of 80 tons per hour, but the machinery can be geared up to 800 tons per hour.

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Further particulars and conditions of letting may be obtained on application at the Office of Director of Public Works.

CLAUDE SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1917.

OVERSEAS CLUB.

A MEETING of the Members will be held on WEDNESDAY next, April 18th in Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co's Mess Room (4th floor) Royal Buildings at 6 P.M. All Members are especially requested to attend.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Members will be held on SATURDAY, the 21st April, 1917, at 12 o'clock NOON, at the Offices of the JOCKEY CLUB on the Ground Floor of the HONGKONG CLUB ANNEXE, Chater Road.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1917.

THERAPION
The NEW FRENCH REMEDY. No. 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

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NOTICES.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY the 26th April, 1917, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statements of account to 31st December, 1916, and of declaring Dividends &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be closed from 6th April to 26th April, b. th days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager,
Hongkong, 14th April, 1917.

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POST OFFICE.

IMPORT PROHIBITIONS.

The public are informed that the undomesticated articles are prohibited from importation into the United Kingdom, either by letter post or by parcel post.

Gold manufactured or unmanufactured, including gold coins and articles containing gold; All manufactures of Silver other than silver watches and silver watch cases; Jewellery of any description.

Letters and Parcels containing such articles cannot therefore be accepted for transmission by the Post Office.

FRENCH PABEL REGULATIONS.

The Public are informed that the new regulations adopted by the French Customs insist that senders of parcels addressed to France, Corsica and Algeria must fill in the columns of the regular Customs Declaration particularly and exactly, omitting none of the headings comprised therein.

It is furthermore absolutely necessary to show in the aforesaid declaration (1) The full name and address of the addressee (2) A statement as to whether the contents are intended for State supplies or not.

Particulars of outgoing and incoming Mails will not be advertised in future. The Post Office will forward all correspondence posted by the fastest routes.

LOCAL AND REGULAR MAILS OUTWARD.

Tai O.—Week days, 5 p.m.; Sundays, 9.30 a.m.—Week days, 10 a.m.; Sundays, 9.30 a.m.
Cheung Chow.—Week days, 2 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m.; Sundays, 9.30 a.m.
Shatauk, Shatin and Sheungshui.—Week days, 4 p.m.
Aberdeen, Auen, Ping Shan, Sai Kung, San Tin and Stanley.—Week days, 4.30 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m.; Sundays, 9.30 a.m.
Kowloon, Kowloon and Wanchow.—Week days, 7.30 a.m.; Registration 5 p.m.; Letters 6 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.
Macao.—Week days, 7.15 a.m., 1.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9 a.m.
Kongmoon.—Week days, 6 p.m. Except Saturdays, Sundays, 9.30 a.m.
Hankow and Shanghai.—Week days, 5 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.
Shanghai.—Week days, 10 a.m., 4 p.m.; Sundays, 9 a.m.

FROM SHEUNGWAN WESTERN BRANCH P.O.

Macao.—Week days, 7.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9.30 a.m.; Holidays, 7.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m.
Canton.—Week days, 7.30 a.m., 9.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 7.30 a.m., 9.30 p.m.
Tai Ping Tung.—Week days, 9.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 9.30 p.m.
Shek K.—Week days, 9.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 9.30 p.m.
Kongmoon.—Week days, 6 p.m.; Sundays, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 6 p.m.
Kaukung.—Week days, 6 p.m.; Except Saturdays, Sundays, 6 p.m.; Holidays, 6 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Amakusa M. J. p. s. 1377, Konishi, 14th Apr.—Swatow, 13th Apr. Gen.—O. S. K.
Chifu M. J. p. s. 933, Ikeda, 14th Apr.—Bangkok, 5th Apr. Rice—Chinese.
Hanoh. Fr. s. 739, Morran, 14th Apr.—Port Bayard, 13th Apr. Gen.—Marty.
Noria, Nor. s. 997, Salvesen, 14th Apr.—Hankow, 14th Apr. Gen.—Chinese.
Promethans, Nor. s. 1074, J. s. n. 14th Apr.—Svigen, 14th Apr. Gen.—Chinese.
s' Jacob, Fr. s. 2388, Banes, 14th Apr.—Singapore, 8th Apr. Gen.—J. O. J. L.
Soytom M. J. p. s. 1461, Takahashi, 14th Apr.—Sundakan, 6th Apr. Gen.—O. S. K.
Sodegaura M. J. p. s. 713, Shitara, 14th Apr.—Bangkok, 5th Apr. Gen.—Chinese.
Yerimo M. J. p. s. 2358, Ishikawa, 14th Apr.—Amoy, 13th Apr. Gen.—O. S. K.
Chiyo M. J. p. s. 1305, 15th Apr.—Hongkong, 11th Apr. Coal—O. S. K.
Hannan M. J. p. s. 2350, 15th Apr.—Walametan, 9th Apr. Coal—M. B. K.
Sekio M. J. p. s. 1329, Nodoka, 15th Apr.—Mojil, 9th Apr. Coal—O. S. K.
Colon M. J. p. s. 3448, Drennan, 16th Apr.—San Francisco, Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.
Shantung, Br. s. 1241, Meathurs, 16th Apr.—Shanghai, 14th Apr. Gen.—S. & S.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 16th at 11.50.—Pressure has decreased considerably over N.E. Japan and increased moderately over N.E. China. A slight decrease is shown over Formosa and the Philippines.

The depressions mentioned yesterday have merged into one large, shallow depression, which now covers Japan.

A feeble anticyclone is shown over China, and a V-shaped depression over the N.E. portion of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.37 inch. Total since January 1st, 6.97 inches, against an average of 8.60 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW

District. Forecast.

1 Hongkong to Gap Road. N.E. winds, moderate; fair.

2 Formosa Channel. N. winds, fresh.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamook. The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.

April 16, a.m.

Station. Hour. Barometer. Temperature. Humidity. Wind. Force. Weather.

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